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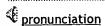
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latch



n.

- 1. A fastening, as for a door or gate, typically consisting of a bar that fits into a notch of slot and is lifted from either side by a lever or string.
- 2. A spring lock, as for a door, that is opened from the outside by a key.
- v. latched, latching, latchies.
- v. tr. To close or lock with or as if with a latch.
- v. intr.
- 1. To have or be closed with a latch.
- 2. To shut tightly so that the latch is engaged: a door too warped to latch.

Idiom

latch on to (or onto) To get hold of; obtain: latched on to a fortune in the fur trade.

[Middle English latche, from lacchen, to seize, from Old English læccan.]

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lon•gi•tu•di•nal

pronunciation

adj.

LENGTH ERON LOWER SURFACE

- a. Of or relating to longitude or length: a longitudinal reckoning by the navigator; made longitudinal measurements of the hull.
- b. Concerned with the development of persons or groups over time: a longitudinal study of twins.
- 2. Placed or running lengthwise: longitudinal stripes.
- lon"gi-tu'di-nal-ly, adv...

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